

## Fall 2018 AEF Plugfest Activities



To all ISOBUS interested parties,

AEF is pleased to announce **Fall 2018 AEF Plugfest** activities, to be held

**September 17 – 21, 2018**  
at  
**Savoia Hotel Regency**  
**Via del Pilastro 2**  
**40127 Bologna**  
**Italy**  
[www.savoia.eu](http://www.savoia.eu)

A preliminary schedule of events is listed below. Additional activities may be added when registration opens on 09 July.

Date	Activity	Time
September 18	Plugfest Equipment Setup	08:00 – 08:45
	Welcome Announcement & Kick-off	08:45 – 09:00
	Plugfest Testing	09:00 – 17:30
September 19	Plugfest Testing	08:30 – 17:30
	AEF Celebration and Plugfest Dinner	18:30 – 22:00
September 20	Plugfest Testing	08:30 – 17:30

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Additional meetings:

Date	Activity	Time
September 19	AEF General Assembly	09:00 – 12:00
	Celebration of AEF - Past & Future	14:00 – 17:00
September 20	Technical AEF conference: - TIM Conformance Test - Connectivity	09:00 – 11:00
	AEF PT04: Service & Diagnostics	09:00 – 16:00
	AEF PT06: Communication & Marketing	09:00 – 15:00
	AEF PT10: High Speed ISOBUS	09:00 – 17:00
September 21	AEF PT01: Conformance Test	08:30 – 16:00
	AEF PT03: Engineering & Implementation	08:30 – 16:00
	AEF PT09: FMIS	08:30 – 15:00

### *Registration*

Event Registration within the AEF ISOBUS Database is required to attend all or part of the Plugfest activities. Registration will open July 9th and close on August 17th. If you are planning to participate in testing activities, or attend as a visitor, please take a moment to confirm your AEF ISOBUS Database login credentials at:

<https://www.aef-isobus-database.org/isobusdb/app/home>

**Plugfest registration as a participant is only possible if all AEF invoices (Service Charge, CT and DB licenses) from your company are paid.**

### *Visitors*

Visitor registration is available to those who are observing the AEF activities and are not involved in testing activities. AEF members may register as Visitor by logging in to the AEF ISOBUS Database using company-supplied credentials and then following the Plugfest link on the database home page. Non-members will follow a link on the database welcome page to create temporary login credentials, and then register via the Plugfest link within the database.

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## Participants

AEF membership is required for Participant registration and applies to anyone who is directly or indirectly involved with testing activities. AEF members use company-supplied credentials to access the database and then register by following the Plugfest link. AEF Membership inquiries related to Plugfest participation should be directed to AEF Office ([office@aef-online.org](mailto:office@aef-online.org)) no later than **August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**.

Plugfest Registration includes the AEF Plugfest, Plugfest Dinner, lunches, refreshments, and Wi-Fi Internet access. The afternoon event and the Plugfest Dinner for additional guests organized around the 10 Year Anniversary Celebration are free of charge. Therefore, the registration fees (without VAT) for the Plugfest are as follow:

### Registration on or before Friday, August 17th 2018

Plugfest Participant:	400 € / \$470*
Plugfest Visitor:	300 € / \$352*
10 Year Anniversary Celebration	0 € / \$0

### Late Registration after Friday, August 17th 2018

Plugfest Visitor:	400 € / \$470*
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*\*USD rates for information based on the exchange rate as July 09th, 2018*

**Registration is now open at:**

<https://www.aef-isobus-database.org/isobusdb/app/plugfest/registration>

## *Parallel UT Client Scheduling*

To ensure that each UT client-type product has a practical amount of testing time with each UT service-type product, two UT client products will be scheduled for tests at the same time at each UT test station. **UT suppliers are therefore strongly encouraged to bring an additional terminal and additional test engineer to manage the parallel tests at the test station.** While it is possible for one person to support both terminals, it can be quite difficult to manage when problems arise with both tests. An additional CAN Backbone Module and power supply will be provided to support a second terminal at each UT test station.

**The second person registering as support for parallel UT tests is welcome to register as a Plugfest Visitor rather than Participant.** In this case, both terminals must be registered by the Participant (equipment registration is not open to Visitors).

## *Parallel TC Client Scheduling*

**To provide additional test time, companies who register TC Servers are strongly encouraged to register a parallel TC Server test station. The second person registering as support for parallel TC server tests is welcome to register as a Plugfest Visitor rather than Participant.** In this case, both devices must be registered by the Participant, as equipment registration is not open to Visitors. Companies are free to decide the primary focus of each test station, for example, by focusing on core functionality & TC-SC at one station and TC-BAS / TC-GEO functionality at the 2<sup>nd</sup> station. However all TC clients will be scheduled to visit both stations.

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## *Product Registration*

Following Event Registration, Participants provide details of the products they intend to test by following an Equipment link on the Plugfest page within AEF ISOBUS Database. AEF uses the product information to determine whether products should be scheduled at dedicated test stations, or scheduled to be moved among the test stations for tests. After the test station list is finalized, AEF will prepare a schedule of tests known as a Plugfest Test Matrix.

The Plugfest Test Matrix is intended to maximize the combination of connections between service-type products (e.g. terminals) and client-type products (e.g. implements) over the course of the Plugfest. Service-type products are typically scheduled to stay at a fixed test stations, while client-type products are scheduled to be moved from station to station by the tester. Please keep the following guidelines in mind when registering products for the Plugfest:

- AEF will assign each Tester of service-type products to separate test stations in the Plugfest Test Matrix. Companies indicate the number of test stations to include by providing unique Tester names associated with service-type products.
- When more than one service-type product is registered to the same Tester name, all products are assigned to one test station. Additional Testers are required to register additional test stations.
- When more than one client-type product is registered to the same Tester name, all products are scheduled for the same time slot at each station. Additional Testers are necessary to schedule each product to its own time slot.
- Products will be scheduled through the available testing time slots on all Plugfest days; scheduling for a reduced number of days is not available.
- Suppliers of products with both UT and TC service-type functionalities, are required to register separate test stations (additional product and Tester) for managing full tests of each functionality in parallel.

To be included in the Test Matrix, participants must register equipment details by completing an **Equipment Registration Form** online within the AEF ISOBUS Database following event registration **until August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. Participants will have the opportunity to review the Test Matrix until August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

## *FMIS Scheduling*

FMIS products with ISOXML support will be scheduled for one-to-one tests with Task Controller suppliers, followed by 3rd product tests during TC / TC-Client tests. During one-to-one tests, the FMIS can supply the initial task data, prescriptions, and coding data to the TC for use during their subsequent TC/TC-Client tests. During 3rd product tests, logged data should be given back to the FMIS for testing compatibility with the TC-Client.

AEF has provided three fields for TC/FMIS testing during the Plugfest. The fields provide a “standard” testing opportunity for different hemispheres, as well as a concave boundary and “holes”. To enable TC/FMIS and TC-Client/FMIS testing with these fields, TC suppliers should bring a means of simulating GPS within these field regions. Task Controller and FMIS suppliers are highly encouraged to test with these fields at a minimum during the Plugfest. The files are available for download as “Boundaries.zip”, from the Information section under “Plugfest Information” of the AEF ISOBUS Database home page.

## *Fileserver*

Suppliers of devices which support the Fileserver on server or client site have the possibility to add this information during the equipment registration. “Fileserver only” tests are not planned.

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## *TIM (Tractor Implement Management)*

Participants have the possibility to register TIM Server and TIM Client devices for the Plugfest. TIM Clients will be scheduled at dedicated TIM server test stations for one-on-one testing. TIM devices will be organized in a separate Plugfest Matrix with 1 hour timeslots.

## *Lodging*

AEF has blocked a limited number of rooms at **Savoia Hotel Regency** until **Friday, August 31st** at a discounted nightly rate (VAT included) of 95.00 € for a Single Room and 115.00 € for a Double Room per night (including breakfast, City tax and internet access).

After this date, the remaining rooms in the block go back to general inventory.

Hotel reservations can be booked by Email [regency@savoia.eu](mailto:regency@savoia.eu) or by phone to 0039 051 376 7777, using group code "AEF Plugfest Italy".

Check with the hotel directly if you miss the deadline or have any issues with the discounted rate.

**The Savoia Hotel Regency has blocked all rooms for the AEF Plugfest attendees, who register as participant or visitor for the minimum of 3 nights.**

**If you plan to join the 10 Year Anniversary Events or the planned AEF meetings, the Savoia Hotel Regency recommends to book a room in a hotel near to the Plugfest venue:**

### **Hotel Michelino** (50 rooms)

Via Michelino 91  
40 127 BOLOGNA  
[info@hotelmichelino.it](mailto:info@hotelmichelino.it)

PRICES (VAT incl.):

Single Room: 90 € per night with breakfast + City tax

Double Room: 120 € per night with breakfast + City tax

### **Best Western Plus Tower Hotel Bologna** (15 rooms)

Viale Lenin, 43  
40138 BOLOGNA  
[events@towerhotelbologna.com](mailto:events@towerhotelbologna.com)

PRICES (VAT incl.):

Single Room: 90 € per night with breakfast + City tax

Double Room: 100 € per night with breakfast + City tax

### **Living Place Hotel** (60 rooms)

Via Properzia de' Rossi  
40138 Bologna  
[booking@livingplace.it](mailto:booking@livingplace.it)

PRICES (VAT incl.):

Single Room: 90 € per night with breakfast + City tax

Double Room: 100 € per night with breakfast + City tax

## *Airport*

**Due to the Airport closing in Bologna for repairs from September 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00 am,** please make your travel arrangements accordingly.

There are connections from major airports like VENICE, VERONA, MILAN, FLORENCE to Bologna by bus or train.

## Fall 2018 AEF Plugfest Activities

### *AEF 10 Year Anniversary Sponsoring*

We would like to provide the opportunity for our member companies to become a sponsor of the event. Please read the official letter under following link:

[AEF Plugfest Sponsorship 2018](#)

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact the AEF Office until Friday, August 3rd, 2018.

Best regards,

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